

DAYTONA BEACH and SEA BREEZE

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Miss Lee Craig Bowers came home from Stetson University Monday, leaving Tuesday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Celeste Hinks, for Gainesville, where they will attend the wedding of Miss Emma Thomas and Mr. James Adger Forsythe, Jr., Wednesday, March 10, at 2:30 p. m., at the First Presbyterian Church. Miss Lee Craig Bowers will be maid of honor. The church will be appropriately decorated; two little flower girls, attractively gowned, will precede the party, followed by two pillow bearers, and ring bearer. Miss Thomas is a very lovable girl, and is kindly remembered here, as a visitor during her stay at the hotel. Mrs. Moyer, Dubuque, Ia.; Jas. Gardner, Charlotte, N. C.; P. F. Bolger, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. A. C. Kuchstedt and children, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Garnich, Cleveland.

Miss Shepherd, who has been a guest of Mrs. Powell, left Wednesday for Hillsboro, Ohio, in her capacity as nurse. Miss Shepherd is a professional nurse of wide experience, and intends making this her future home. She expects to return the first of June.

Mr. J. H. Payne and Dr. Bachman, who were en route to Cuba, stopped over a few days last week to renew the acquaintance of Mrs. Powell, who was formerly a business partner of Mr. T. H. Paynes' at Chattanooga, Tenn.

ing the summer. Many good wishes for a happy life ever afterwards.

New Seaside Inn guests: S. Mesdames Schweizer and Krueger, of Chicago, are enjoying many pleasant outings with friends on the beach. They regret their departure before the races, as they will attend the wedding of Mrs. Schweizer's niece in Chicago, March 23.

The New Seaside Inn entertains every evening with interesting card parties, concerts or in some special way for the large number of guests. The Actors Child League entertained Monday evening.

The Constitution numbered a large party from the New Seaside Inn and other hostels Monday for the two weeks' trip to Palm Beach.

Daytona Beach arrivals: Mrs. C. A. Shirm, Chattanooga; Mrs. A. C. Kerchstedt, Josephine and Archie Kerchstedt, Chicago; Mr. Cook and party of seven; Fred Geissler, Kentucky; Mr. and Mrs. Denny, Cleveland. The genial proprietor, Mr. Keating, takes much interest in rendering the stay of his guests very pleasant.

Miss Golia, of New York City, is entertaining several guests from Memphis at the Surf Crest.

Mrs. Emma Reese and maid, Zou Vignon, of Georgetown, Ohio, leave today for St. Augustine, where they will spend a few days before returning home.

Dr. Jackson, of the Beach Pharmacy, is visiting his parents this week, at Altoona, Pa.

The Clarendon orchestra has been engaged by several hotels for

special hours during the tourist season, their headquarters being at the New Seaside Inn.

Mrs. Wm. Curtis, of Connecticut, has a pleasant suite of rooms at Mrs. George P. Johnson's.

One of the most successful marsh-mallow roasts on the beach was given Monday night by a quartette of our young Beau Brummels—Messrs. Jack and Alfred Strother, Seymour Mason and Roland Barze. The party was given in honor of the Actors' Childs League. A bevy of merry girls enjoyed the fun.

Captain Horace Holland took a large party on the Wide Awake this week to Spruce Creek. Among the guests were Miss Florence Marsh, Mrs. Green, Mrs. J. B. Sellers, Miss M. Rhodes, Miss Evelyn Atwood and Miss J. E. Morrell. Fishing formed a part of the day's sport, the largest catch of the season being the reward; 104 pounds of sea bass being brought home.

Mr. Paul Petion is the proud possessor of 78 fine white leghorns, six weeks old, all having been mothered by the incubator system. Mr. Petion expects to have a large number, and is extremely successful in raising them.

Mrs. Uriah Hambrick, of Georgetown, Ky., surpassed her former fishing experiences, by bringing home forty-two whiting, bluefish and trout. A very good day's catch, but Kentucky always comes to the front.

Captain White and daughter, Miss Lula, of Jacksonville, have taken a beach cottage for two months' sojourn in the city. Captain White expects to while away many hours on the pier at his favorite sport, fishing.

Surf Crest arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. John E. Warner, Highwood, Conn.; Mr. Gaskell, Indiana; Miss Katherine Golia, New York City; Mr. Elliott, Chicago, Ill. Thirty-five guests are enrolled, and all are enjoying the beach.

Mrs. Uriah Hambrick entertained Thursday, at a shell luncheon, in honor of her guests, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Best, and niece, Miss Louise Best, of Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.

AT DAYTONA BEACH.

Last evening between four and five o'clock a stingeray of enormous size and proportions was caught off the casino pier at Daytona Beach. Its actual measurements from tip to tail are 14 feet, 7 inches, and its breadth six feet, 11 inches; its weight is estimated all the way from 600 pounds to half a ton, and it took the combined strength of twenty strong men to pull it onto the sand at the seashore.

A continuous string of people were wending their way to the beach last evening until a late hour to view the monster and Mr. Cook, the owner of the beast, was compelled to place a watchman over it all night long to guard against souvenir hunters despoiling the animal or cutting its long tail.

The monster, although seen only once or twice before, was known to

be there, and its capture was not unexpected, and was brought about in this way: About five weeks ago Mr. Edmund Cook and wife, of South Dakota, took up quarters at the Surf Crest Hotel. On one of his former visits here Mr. Cook succeeded in landing two sharks, and he therefore came this time rigged out with a complete outfit of hand forged steel-hooks and two hundred feet of shark-line. He succeeded in landing only one shark, but was troubled almost daily by some beast of unusual strength and bulk breaking his hooks like matches and his lines like threads.

For four weeks he has been standing at the pier almost daily, only to have his tackle broken to pieces and in several instances being nearly dragged over the railing into the ocean by some monster which would not come to the surface but would take his bait, get hooked for a moment, swirl at the bottom of the ocean and make the water foam and boil, break the hooks or straighten them out and get away, only to return in a few hours and repeat the same tactics until at last Mr. Cook doubled the tackle, that is wired two hooks together as one and attached them to his shark line and on this rigging the monster was finally caught last evening and held captive long enough by many strong arms until Photographer Smith and Mr. Morris of the casino, fired eight steel bullets into him, which finally took the fight out of him and he was dragged onto the shore. A block and tackle was necessary to hoist the bulk of the monster under the pier in order to have it photographed today by Clark G. Smith, the Daytona Beach artist.

The monster will be left hanging under the pier all this day, and no doubt many of the tourists, especially those who on some former attempts at landing it so valiantly but unsuccessfully assisted, will take a view at him and no doubt will now realize that it would be almost as easy or as hard a task to hold a moving steamboat or locomotive as to hold this monster of an ocean bat or sea devil on a shark line in the ocean.

For nearly four weeks Mr. Samuel Hawkes, of Coming, N. J., was the faithful assistant of Mr. Cook in his efforts to capture this brute. The credit of the capture today is largely due to Messrs. McKinne, Sweeney, Livingston and R. E. Glenn and the two gentlemen behind the guns.

DELEON SPRINGS.

Our town was visited by a one horse show last Saturday.

Our school closed Thursday and Friday while the teacher visited other schools.

All those who visited the State Fair at Tampa report a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniels and children arrived and have rooms with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kelley.

Mrs. A. N. Douglas, of Tekonsha, Mich., arrived last Saturday.

Mrs. Dr. Daniels has been quite sick for several days.

Mr. J. H. Cooper and Mrs. Vinton left for St. Petersburg, where they will join with friends before returning to their homes in Elmira, N. Y.

A jolly crowd of students from Stetson University visited the spring Saturday, and they had the time of their lives.

Miss E. B. Willicombe returned Saturday.

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Mrs. J. B. Conrad, of Glenwood, and her friends, Mrs. McKern and Miss Stackhouse, attended song service at the DeSoto house Sunday evening.

The song service was well attended Sunday. There were about forty present. Mrs. Baker, Miss Bessie Walker and Miss Ethel Lynch presided at the piano. The duet by Dr. Daniel and Mrs. Baker and selections by Miss Ethel Lynch were real good.

The contract for the new Federal building at Gainesville, to cost \$150,000, has been awarded to the King Lumber Company, of Charlottesville, Va. Work will be commenced at once, as the building must be completed by June 15, 1910.

Rural delivery routes have been ordered established at Greenville, Lovett and Luther, this State.

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